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PM-1579 (Microwave Heating of Sigma/Delta Heat Sources)

Dear Jim:

Enclosed for review by you and Dr. Deevi is a first draft of the above continuation-in-part patent application.

You will note that the specification for this application is similar to PM-1389 (Metal Nitride Heat Sources) except that the new matter concerning microwave heating has been added after Example 4 on page 22. The application also incorporates by reference the following Sigma and Delta cases: PM-1319 (Carbon Heat Sources), PM-1322/1322CIP (Carbonaceous Heat Sources), PM-1336 (Metal Carbide Heat Sources), PM-1347 (Carbonaceous Heat Sources), PM-1353 (Metal Oxide/Carbon Heat Sources) and PM-1360 (Metal Carbide/Metal Nitride/Metal Heat Sources).

The claims, as presently drafted, are adapted from those claims of PM-1389 (cls. 1-19), PM-1353 (cls. 20-27), PM-1319 (cls. 28-29), PM-1336 (cls. 30-35) and PM-1347 (cls. 36-40). Accordingly, we anticipate that the first Examiner's Action will be a restriction/election requirement. At that time, a decision can be made as to which claims to prosecute.

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TO James E. Schardt, Esq.

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We look forward to comments as soon as possible. We hope to file this application by next week.

Sincerely,

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